

## PUBLIC NOTICE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, 2005 DISASTER RECOVERY INITIATIVE ACTION PLAN AND APPLICATION FOR FUNDING.

The public is being notified that the Miami-Dade County, on behalf of all local municipalities and the County, is applying for approximately \$16.1 million of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to assist with disaster recovery efforts from Hurricanes Wilma and Katrina.

As a result of Hurricane Katrina and Wilma, Congress appropriated \$11.5 billion of CDBG funding, in the Military Construction Appropriations and Emergency Hurricane Supplemental Appropriation Act, to five states for disaster relief, long term recovery, and the restoration of infrastructure related to Florida's allocation from the United States these storms. Department of Housing and Urban Development (USHUD) is \$82.9 million, of which approximately \$16.1 million is scheduled for Miami-Dade County and its municipalities. CDBG funds may be used to undertake activities that meet identified needs for lowand- moderate-income persons and/or low-and- moderateincome areas. The Action Plan requires applicants to utilize a minimum of seventy percent of these funds for the restoration of affordable housing. The remaining thirty percent may be used to restore disaster-impacted infrastructure and mitigation projects identified in either Miami-Dade County and Municipal Comprehensive Plan or Local Mitigation Strategy, and business assistance as allowable uses of funds. All activities must meet the National Objective (addressing slum and blight; urgent need; or primarily benefit low-to-moderate-income (LMI) persons) and be related to Hurricanes Katrina or Wilma. In addition, funds must be used for new projects that are disaster-related, CDBG eligible, not budgeted, and not already underway or complete. Miami-Dade County may complete the project through an interlocal agreement or funding may flow through the County via a sub-recipient agreement to a municipality that would complete the project, and would have to meet all program requirements

Public may review the Draft Action Plan on Miami-Dade County Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED) website at miamidade.gov/ced and at OCED's office located at 140 West Flagler Street, Suite 1000. Comments may be submitted, in writing, to the attention of Daniel T. Wall, Assistant Director, Office of Strategic and Business Management (OSMB), 111 N.W. 1st Street, Suite 2210, Miami, Florida 33128, no later than August, 14 2006.